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Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): In a brush having a single support for applying mascara to eyelashes, wherein the brush includes bristles placed in a spiral arrangement having plural turns around [[a]] the single support, the improvement wherein the bristles are constructed of a polyamide fiber having an external surface modified to include a texturized surface configuration having a multiplicity of indents spaced apart from one another along and around the texturized surface configuration for providing enhanced pick-up of mascara to be applied to the eyelashes, and subsequent enhanced release of the mascara to the eyelashes, the bristles have a diameter of about 2.5 to 3.5 mils and the brush has more than 60 and up to about 120 bristles within each turn of the spiral arrangement.

Claim 2 (original): The improvement of claim 1 wherein the diameter of the bristles is 3.0 mils.

Claim 3 (original): The improvement of claim 1 wherein the polyamide is Nylon 6.12.

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Claim 4 (original): The improvement of claim 1 wherein the external surface of the polyamide fiber is further modified to include a non-uniform wavy appearance.

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (currently amended): In a method for applying mascara to eyelashes with a brush having a single support and bristles placed in a spiral arrangement including plural turns around [[a]] the single support, the improvement wherein the mascara is first picked up on bristles constructed of a polyamide fiber having an external surface modified to include a texturized surface configuration having a multiplicity of indents spaced apart from one another along and around the texturized surface configuration, and subsequently releasing the picked-up mascara to the eyelashes, the bristles having a diameter of about 2.5 to 3.5 mils and the brush having more than 60 and up to about 120 bristles within each turn of the spiral arrangement.

Claim 7 (original): The improvement of claim 6 wherein the diameter of the bristles is 3.0 mils.

Claim 8 (original): The improvement of claim 6 wherein the polyamide is Nylon 6.12.

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Claim 9 (original): The improvement of claim 6 wherein the external surface of the polyamide fiber is further modified to include a non-uniform wavy appearance.

Claim 10 (canceled)